

House Resolution No. 16

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Polly Shelton of Gravois Mills, Missouri, attained considerable distinction as the municipal judge for the cities of Stover and Versailles and as Executive Director of the Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association, a leadership position that she drew to a close on May 28, 2007, in well deserved retirement; and

Whereas, Polly Shelton was born on a farm located between Grandview and Belton in a part of Missouri that would subsequently become a portion of Richards-Gebaur Air Force Base; and

Whereas, the valedictorian of her high school graduation class, Polly Shelton moved to the state of California, earned a business administration degree, and worked in several different fields of endeavor before finding employment in a law office back in Missouri; and

Whereas, after four years of working with lawyers and learning about the law, Polly Shelton answered an advertisement for a part-time position as a municipal judge for the city of Stover, which she landed despite competing for the job against a group of fifteen other people that included attorneys; and

Whereas, in her role as a municipal judge, Polly Shelton became involved in the Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association, and as a volunteer who was willing to work hard, she began to accepted increased duties and responsibilities in the organization; and

Whereas, Polly Shelton was instrumental in the Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association increasing its membership from 175 judges to the current 400; and

Whereas, in 2005 the Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association presented Polly Shelton with its highest honor, the George Pitman Award, for her longtime meritorious service:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life and work of Polly Shelton and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Polly Shelton of Gravois Mills, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Rodney Schad
District No. 115

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 16, adopted January 9, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker